

6 shaft; a bypass clutch provided in said housing; and
7 a torsionally elastic damper disposed in said housing
8 in series with said clutch and including energy storing
9 springs, said clutch comprising a substantially disc-
10 shaped piston including a friction surface and having
11 limited freedom of movement relative to said runner in
12 the direction of said axis from and into engagement with
13 said housing for transmission of torque from the housing
14 to an output element which is connectable with said
15 rotor, said output element comprising a first
16 substantially disc-shaped component arranged to cause
17 said springs to store energy and said output element
18 further comprising a second substantially disc-shaped
19 component arranged to cause said springs to store energy
20 and to establish a torque-transmitting connection with
21 said first component by way of said springs, said second
22 component being non-rotatably connected with said runner
23 and said piston.--.

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Applicant believes that he is entitled to patent protection for a hydrodynamic torque converter (such as 3) which is constructed and assembled and which operates in a manner as called for in the newly presented claim